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	SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS FOR MINIMALLY INVASIVE SURGICAL PROCEDURES METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE RECOGNITION AND DICTATION	Group Art Unit:
Title:		2624

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(d), the references listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A are brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the identified references are enclosed as necessary. The identified references were cited by the International Search Authority in a corresponding European application. A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed.

Pursuant to the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, Chapter 609, applicant requests that the Examiner consider each of the listed documents and initial and return to the undersigned a copy of the enclosed Form PTO/SB/08A.

Pursuant to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's July 11, 2003 waiver of the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(ii), only copies of foreign or other documents are provided. Copies of the U.S. patent references are not provided.

By this submission Applicant does not admit that such documents constitute prior art. Applicant reserves the right to show, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.131 or otherwise, that any of the

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Each item of information contained in this IDS was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. A copy of the International European Search Report is enclosed.

Applicant believes that no fee is necessary for the submission of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account. No. 04-1420 for any necessary fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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